

June 19, 2014
Maine Milk Commission Meeting Minutes
Deering Building, Room 233
Augusta, Maine 04333

Notices for the June 19, 2014 meeting were distributed to Commission members, intervenors and other interested parties on May 22, 2014 and sent to the Secretary of State's Office for posting on May 22, 2014.

Commission Present: Mike Wiers, Colon Durrell, Richard Cook, Stanley Millay and Matt Randall, *ex-officio*

Commission Absent: None

Department Officials: None

Staff Present: Tim Drake, Executive Director, Audrey Shorty, Resource Administrator and Carol Gauthier, Office Associate

Legal Counsel: Lauren Parker

Others Present: Tom Brigham of Oakhurst Dairy, John Blake, H.P. Hood, Shelley F. Doak, Maine Grocers Association, Chris Pelletier of Hannaford/Delhaize, Julie-Marie Bickford and Dale Cole of MDIA and Audrey Slattery and Clayton Davis of DMS/DFA

Chairman Wiers called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Minutes: Colon Durrell made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 22, 2014 meeting, Richard Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item 2: Lauren Parker, Assistant Attorney General:

A.A.G. Parker addressed a concern of some people present at the May meeting that there was too much back and forth between people testifying. She stated that statute and rule do not describe a particular method for this at our hearings, and as this is generally a small group offering testimony we want to encourage discussion no action will be taken at this time; however, if the discussions evolve into debate in the future this can be addressed at that time by the chair. She also pointed out that after a motion is made no further testimony can be taken.

Agenda Item 3: Minimum Prices:

Tim Drake reported that a prevailing premium of \$1.10/cwt. on Class I for July 2014, Dairy Marketing Services (DMS) had been reported. In addition to this premium, DMS reported that an additional \$0.43/cwt for milk that comes from producers who do not treat their cows with the rBST hormone will be in effect. Federal Order One Class I price for July is \$26.27, an increase of \$0.16/cwt. He explained that a schedule was prepared using this information plus a producer cost of production adjustment (COPA) of \$1.16/cwt. He stated that this price schedule was for informational purposes and that the Commission was not bound to it, and should make their pricing determination after hearing testimony.

Chairman Wiers asked for testimony.

There were none.

Colon Durrell made a motion to accept order #07-14 with a producer margin of \$1.16/cwt.

Richard Cook seconded the motion.

Chairman Wiers called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item 4: Maine Monthly Price Survey: The Commission reviewed the Maine price survey for June 2014 which showed retail prices for Augusta, Scarborough, South Portland, Brunswick, Biddeford, Bangor and Brewer. The April survey by IAMCA was also reviewed.

Agenda Item 5: Next Scheduled Meetings:

- July 25, 2014, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- August 21, 2014, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- September 18, 2014, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- October 23, 2014, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME

Agenda Item 6: Other:

1. **Monthly Financial Report:** The financial report for May FY14 was reviewed.

Agenda Item 7: Executive Session: None

Adjourned: Adjourned; 10:45 a.m. June 19, 2014.
Tim Drake, Maine Milk Commission